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In re Application of :
Scott C. Nance :
Application No. 10/086,263 : DECISION ON PETITION
Filed: March 4, 2002 :
FOR: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR :
LOCATING CELLULAR PHONE NUMBERS :

This is a decision on the petition under the unintentional provisions of 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed February 6, 2006, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action, mailed May 27, 2005, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three (3) months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on August 30, 2005 (August 28, 2005, the due date, was a Sunday).

The petition satisfies the requirements of 37 CFR 1.137(b) in that petitioner has supplied (1) the reply in the form of a Notice of Appeal and fee of \$250, (2) the petition fee of \$750, and (3) an adequate statement of unintentional delay. Accordingly, the reply to the final Office action of May 27, 2005 is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

There is no indication that the person signing the petition was ever given a power of attorney to prosecute the application. If the person signing the petition desires to receive future correspondence regarding this application, the appropriate power of attorney documents must be submitted. While a courtesy copy of this decision is being mailed to the person signing the petition, all future correspondence will be directed to the address currently of record until appropriate instructions are received.

Telephone inquiries concerning this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (571) 272-3218.

This application is being referred to Technology Center AU 2161 for appropriate action by the Examiner in the normal course of business on the Appeal Brief received on March 31, 2006.



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